GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3202
ANSWERED ON:16.08.2005
NATIONAL MINORITY COMMISSION
Jai Prakash Shri

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Minority Commission has written for the Constitution of a Committee for resolving the problems of Hindus especially Sikhs who have fled from Afghanisthan during the Taliban regime and provide them with permanent Indian Citizenship; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): It has not been found necessary to constitute any Committee. Indian Citizenship is granted to the foreigners including Afghan nationals, who are eligible under the provisions of the Citizenship Act, 1955 and Citizenship Rules, 1956.